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RE: CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.
PROPOSED ABANDONMENT
MOUNT VERNON TO FREDERICKTOWN, KNOX COUNTY, OHIO
DOCKET NO. AB-55 (SUB-NO. 638X)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Attached is response dated July 25, 2003, from the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office advising that "... *this section of line is not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, we concur with your determination that the proposed work will not affect historic properties.*"

Sincerely,

Attachment

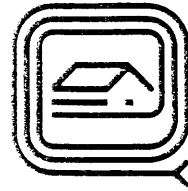
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July 25, 2003

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Dear Ms. Bash:

Re: Proposed Rail Aband., 6.37 miles from Mount Vernon to Fredericksburg, OH
Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 638X)

This letter is in response to correspondence received on May 12, 2003. Our comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and the associated regulations at 36 CFR Part 800.

Based on the information submitted, it is my opinion that this section of line is not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, we concur with your determination that the proposed work will not affect historic properties. No further coordination with this office is necessary, unless there is a change in the project.

If you have any questions about this letter or our review of this project, please call me at (614) 298-2000. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Lisa Adkins, Architecture Reviews Mgr.
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